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SUBJECT: STATUS OF REACTOR FUEL EXPORT LICENSE FOR
ALMARAZ PLANT

REF: STATE 52502

- 1. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF REPORT IN PARAGRAPH 3, REFTEL, THAT FUEL EXPORT LICENSE FOR ALMARAZ 1 AND 2 IS PENDING IN EXECUTIVE BRANCH, WITH FURTHER ACTION DEPENDENT ON RECEIPT OF "AUTHORIZED PERSON" LETTER. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY SPANISH PROJECT MANAGER FOR ALMARAZ (SR. ZAMARRON) THAT NRC LICENSE XSNM-844 WAS ISSUED SEPTEMBER 17, 1976, WITH VALIDITY TO JANUARY 1, 1978. WHEN IT BECAME CLEAR THAT FUEL WOULD NOT BE SHIPPED PRIOR TO LATTER DATE, WESTINGHOUSE APPLIED ON DECEMBER 6, 1977 FOR AN EXTENSION. ACCORDING TO ZAMARRON EXTENSION WAS GRANTED TO JUNE 1, 1980 AND HE HAS COPY OF NRC AMENDMENT 1 TO XSNM-844 SO STATING.
- 2. WESTINGHOUSE OFFICIALS HERE WERE UNABLE TO EXPLAIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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APPARENT DISCREPANCY IN STATUS OF FUEL LICENSE FOR ALMARAZ, ALTHOUGH ONE SPECULATION WAS THAT NOVEMBER 17, 1977 APPLICATION HAD BEEN MADE FOR SECOND FUEL LOAD. WE HOPE TO DISCUSS GENERAL QUESTION OF PENDING CASES WITH NEWLY APPOINTED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF ENERGY, RAMON LEONATO MARSAL, WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS. HOWEVER, SINCE ALMARAZ CASE IS SOMEWHAT PRESSING IT WOULD BE

# HELPFUL IF WE CAN PROVIDE CLARIFICATION TO SPANISH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. STABLER

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